## **REMARKS**

The present application is subject to a restriction involving three groups:

Group I - claims 45-50;

Group II - claim 51; and

Group III - claims 53-56 and 59.

Furthermore, the Group I and Group II claims are further restricted into subgroups.

In particular, the Group I claims are subject to a restriction involving:

Subgroup Ia - claim 49;

Subgroup Ib - claim 50.

Both subgroups Ia and Ib include claims 45-48.

The Group III claims are subject to a restriction involving:

Subgroup IIIa - claim 56; and

Subgroup IIIb - claim 59.

Both subgroups IIIa and IIIb include claims 53-55.

Applicant elects the Subgroup Ib invention of claim 50, which includes claims 45-48 and 50. Applicant has withdrawn claim 49. Applicant reserves the right to add claim 49 back into the case should any linking claim be allowed.

Applicant has cancelled the Group II and Group III claims. Applicant reserves the right to pursue these claims in one or more divisional patent applications.

In light of all of the above, it is submitted that the claims are in order for examination, and prompt examination is earnestly requested. Should any issues remain outstanding, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney of record so that the case may proceed expeditiously to allowance.

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